

WorldShare Interlibrary Loan message for Washington State

SUBJECT: Getting ready for OCLC's new interlibrary loan service

The WorldCat Resource Sharing interlibrary loan service your library receives through the Washington statewide OCLC Group Services contract will be replaced by a new service, OCLC WorldShare™ Interlibrary Loan, in 2013. WorldShare™ Interlibrary Loan will deliver new and expanded functionality that supports evolving workflow changes such as the option to purchase needed materials instead of borrow them.

The service's interoperation with other applications, such as the display of lender costs from the OCLC Policies Directory and display of item availability from a library's ILS, will be supported by the new WorldShare™ Platform.

Initial release of the new service is planned for March 2013. Between March and December 2013, the WorldCat Resource Sharing and WorldShare Interlibrary Loan services will operate in parallel. Access to WorldCat Resource Sharing is scheduled to end December 31, 2013.

The following transition schedule for Washington libraries currently enrolled in the Washington OCLC Group Services contract has been planned with consideration for seasonal activity levels by library type:

- Public libraries: March and April 2013
- Academic and school libraries: July and August 2013

Will Stuiwenga at the Washington State Library is working closely with OCLC to schedule training for Washington library staff to support your transition to the new WorldShare Interlibrary Loan service. This training will be developed for specific types of libraries, so you can share the experience with others who work in the same type of library.

Preparations you can start now

There are some things you can do now to begin your library's preparations for its move to WorldShare Interlibrary Loan later this year. Suggestions for advance preparation are outlined on a migration website at www.oclc.org/us/en/migrate-worldshare-ill/preparation.htm.

- OCLC Policies Directory:
Update your interlibrary loan policy information in order to be prepared for the migration. If you have questions about updating your policies, contact OCLC Support at support@oclc.org or 1-800-848-5800.

Stay informed

You can read more about plans for WorldShare Interlibrary Loan on its [migration website](#).

Watch for updates from the State Library staff regarding plans for migration to the new WorldShare Interlibrary Loan service, training and support for Washington libraries. As we move closer to your library's transition timeframe, the State Library and OCLC will provide details about training topics and dates that will give your staff the information they need to begin using the new service.

Questions?

If you have questions about this upcoming migration, please contact OCLC at WorldShareILL_MIG@oclc.org. If you have questions about Washington Group Services and its role in the migration, contact Will Stuiwenga at the Washington State Library: will.stuiwenga@sos.wa.gov or 360.704.5217.